

REMARKS

In response to the requirement to restrict the claims to one of two different groups, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims in Group I, consisting of claims 1-22 and 25-30. The Examiner's restriction between Groups I and II is respectfully traversed.

In response to the requirement to elect one species selected from the list given in claims 2-8, Applicants elect claim 6, conjugated polymers. With respect to the requirement for a listing of all claims readable on the species election, Applicants submit that claims 1-2, 6-22, 25-26 and 28-30 would be readable on the elected species.

In response to the requirement to elect one species selected from the list given in claims 12-17, Applicants elect claim 15, fluorescent dyes. With respect to the requirement for a listing of all claims readable on the species election, Applicants submit that claims 1-13, 15-16, 18-22 and 25-30 would be readable on the elected species


CONCLUSION

As the claims are believed in order for allowance, a notice to that effect is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner disagree, a telephonic interview is conditionally requested prior to the issuance of a subsequent Office Action so that any remaining issues can be discussed. The undersigned may be reached at (858) 587-7658. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 06-1135 as necessary for this Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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